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- In June 1951 the medical unit of the 76 Regiment of the North Korean 37 Division was stationed in the Wonsan area. Civilian houses were being used as hospital wards for approximately 500 patients, including eight of the rank of colonel, although ordinarily a North Korean regimental medical unit is responsible for only 30 patients. Rations included 600 grams of rice porridge for each patient per day, and side dishes of various types, costing about 30 North Korean won. Medicines on hand included small amounts of iodine, cinchona, camphor, opiates, quinine, aspirin, sodium bicarbonate, chloroform, glucose, Salvarsan, and sulfaguanidine. All medicines were imported from Hungary except the sulfaguanidine, which was American made and purchased on the black market.
- Officers of the medical unit under the commanding officer, Major LIM Chong-kyun (李正均), included the following:
 Senior Captain YI Ch'ae-hyon (李載賢)
 Captain KANG Hae-su (姜海素)
 1st Lieutenant KIM Yon-su (金演秀)
 1st Lieutenant KIM Yong-kil (金永吉)
 2nd Lieutenant KIM Ki-ho (金基浩)
 The unit included twelve medical NCO's, and 24 enlisted corporals.
- The political officer for the medical staff and patients was Senior Captain YI Hyon-sol (李鉉洙). All medical officers participated in four hours of lectures and discussion on Party history and current topics in which indoctrination in Communist thought was given.
- North Korean Army medical officers are trained in two schools. The first is the Medical Officers' Training Institute of the North Korean Ministry of Public Health at Pyongyang. There the training is one month for those already possessing a North Korean government medical license as a physician, and is confined to basic military training. The medical course at the Pyongyang First Military Academy at Tunghua, Manchuria, is open to graduates of North Korean higher schools, and the training period is four years, the curriculum including the usual medical subjects.

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